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## Personal Mention

We are glad to report that Brother Calvert has about recovered from his recent illness.

Brother Lyon has discovered another method of inducting member into the church. We speak of receiving members by baptism, by relation, by letter. He adds a fourth way, by marriage.

Brother B. C. Moomaw does not have much faith in the commonly accepted theory of evolution, atheistic or theistic. He prefers the kind Paul speaks of in Corinthians 15. Read his article.

Brother William Koontz writes that such articles as those written by brethren Gillin, Miller, Mackey, Cassel, and many others, in the Twentieth Century will do us all good, they are helpful to all who read them.

Brother C. E. Deffenbaugh reports two accessions to the church Sunday evening March 3, at Barachah. Brother Deffenbaugh is encouraged with the outlook of the work under the care of brother E. D. Burnworth, the pastor.

Brother Daniel Stutzman answers our inquiry as to whether the paper is to be continued to his address as follows: "I wish my paper to be continued as we need it. It is a welcome visitor. Please send it until I say, Enough."

We are glad to report church news from a new congregation, one lately organized, where Brother Loose recently from the G. B. church is pastor. He was assisted by Brother Baughman, and the meeting closed with four accessions.

Brother Swihart has moved to North Liberty, Indiana, for the present, but has not yet decided whether he will remain there or not. He began a series of revival meetings in the Brethren Chapel, near Akron, on the evening of March 9, to continue for several weeks.

Brother J. W. Shoemaker writes, "I would be lonely indeed without the paper. I do not see how or why it is that so many Brethren families are not taking the paper. It is a great source of encouragement to me. The *Quarterlies* I think are getting better every quarter."

The State of Pennsylvania too wants more money to carry forward its missionary enterprises. Brother Replogle reports the financial state of the treasurer, and the report shows that at least one congregation has not neglected its duty and privilege. Fifty dollars is a neat collection.

Brother J. L. Bowman, Vinco, Pa., writes, "One young man has been received at the Pike appointment by baptism. Our congregations are usually large and appreciative. We have taken our semi-annual State missionary collection. Our work is progressing and the outlook is brightening."

Brother J. H. Burnworth in the absence of the pastor, Brother Kimmel, preached at Buckeye City last Sunday morning and evening, and on next Sunday will preach at Ankneytown and North Liberty. Brother Kimmel is away in the interests of the Dayton Mission and its church building.

Nappanee, Indiana, has been enjoying a great revival for the past few weeks, and so far as we have knowledge the meetings are still in progress, conducted by Brother Bowman. Almost a score of souls have been brought to Christ thru his efforts at that place. From Nappanee, Brother Bowman goes to Chicago.

Brother J. L. Gillin is now pleasantly situated in the city of Waterloo, where he moved last week. He continues to prosecute the work of the Lord same as before and possibly with better advantage. The members of the Enon congregation showed their appreciation of Brother Gillin's work in a way that leaves no doubt as to what was in their hearts.

Brother J. F. Rutledge, Williamstown, Ohio, writes, "Our regular business meeting at the Williamstown church was held Saturday, March 9, and altho a rainy day the meeting was well attended and business was nicely and pleasantly disposed of. Brother Eikenberry was called as pastor, and we look for an increased interest this summer."

Our readers will be glad to hear, thru these columns, from Brother McCollough who is now basking in the life-giving sunlight of the South. He has been improving for the last few days, and we trust he may completely recover from the disease which has laid hold upon him, and again join the ranks of Ashland's boys.

In addition to the credits given to the several districts on page 16, we are glad to report the following: Vernie Nickodemus, Altoona, Pa., 1; J. L. Bowman, Vinco, Pa., 3; C. F. Yoder, Warsaw, Indiana, 2; Mr. Keyes, Mexico, Indiana, 1; New Jersey, 1; L. M. Loose, Fremont, Ohio, 1; This gives a fairly good start, and we trust the work will be pushed with vigor until the 500 are secured. The names here given will appear at their proper places on page 16 next week.

If you were to go thru the city of Goshen at this time you would see in the windows here and there posters with the portrait, in size 6x7 inches, of a fine looking Christian gentleman, and containing announcement of gospel meetings in progress at the "Ulery Block Church," extending an invitation and welcome to all to come and hear and become acquainted with the claims and teachings of the Brethren church. From an artistic point of view the poster is a splendid piece of work, neatly printed on excellent paper, modestly displaying the above announcements. The poster does not bear a single mark of vanity, but keeps entirely within the limits of that modesty and humility becoming the humble follower of the blessed Master. It is the work of brother G. W. Rench who is now

engaged in a series of meetings in Goshen a report of which will be published later. May the Lord abundantly bless the efforts of our brother in that city, and all the efforts of all his servants everywhere.

Brother A. J. Hixson writes, "I realize the force of your appeal in behalf of Ashland College, and the truthfulness of it; if I had the money I certainly would suggest a starter. But I am carrying all I am able to carry just now,—may do more later." We appreciate the good will of Brother Hixson, for in days gone by we know that his good will meant something for Ashland College and it does yet. "If we could make the rich willing and the willing rich," then Ashland College would soon be provided for.

We feel sure the readers of the paper will appreciate the second of our symposiums on Bible characters, this time on "My Favorite Woman of the Bible." Sisters Lichty, Hedrick, Detwiler, Miller, Frame and Gnagey have written, and it will be noticed that for some reason the Marys are the favorites. Two have written on Mary the sister of Lazarus, one on the Virgin Mary, one on Mary Magdalene, one on Ruth, and one on Hannah. Next week we will give a symposium on "My Favorite Old Testament Character," the writer having choice of any character, man or woman, taken from the Old Testament.

Hixson would like to know what defects there were in his sermon on the evidences within us that we are the children of God, that one of his auditors should go to sleep while he delivered the discourse. Defects there may have been in the sermon as there are in all our sermons, but the sleeping auditor was not an evidence of such defects, for undoubtedly there were greater defects in his heart and brain and soul than in your discourse. There be some people who would sleep during divine worship if the angel Gabriel were to conduct the service. What they need is enough spiritual life to keep them awake.

Brother J. L. Kimmel has been chosen pastor of the Winchester church, and will take charge of the work at that place and in Dayton, April 1, 1901. Since last State Conference Ohio has not been doing much in the way of raising missionary money, but it is to be hoped that every church in the State will yet take up a liberal collection for this purpose before the Conference year closes, which will be June 1. At the coming Conference to be held at Bryan measures will be taken for an active campaign along missionary lines in the State. With Brother Kimmel in charge of the Dayton mission it will be a matter of only a little time when that mission will be a church, and when in connection with one congregation outside the city, will be self supporting. Then the Mission Board can turn its attention to other points, and already a few are waiting and calling for help.

The financial report of the secretary of the National Mission Board came too late for publication in this issue, and this we regret the more because it calls special attention to matters that deserve and demand the attention of, not any one particular State or District, but the entire brotherhood. It will be remembered that on April 1, 1901, the interest on the Washington church building will be due and the same should be promptly paid. Let there be a special effort for increased collections for the support of our National Missions. This work should not go begging; it really does not, as it has been the custom of our Brother Cassel simply to make known in faith the wants or rather the needs of the Board, and so far as we know he has not been disappointed. We trust he